

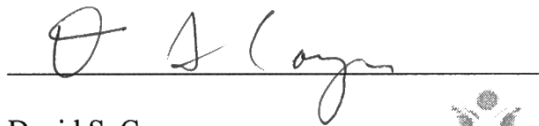
It is well settled that an amended pleading supersedes the original pleading and that motions directed at superseded pleadings are to be denied as moot. Young v. City of Mount Ranier, 238 F. 3d 567, 573 (4th Cir. 2001) (amended pleading renders original pleading of no effect); Turner v. Kight, 192 F. Supp. 2d 391, 397 (D. Md. 2002) (denying as moot motion to dismiss original complaint on grounds that amended complaint superseded original complaint).

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. “Plaintiff’s Motion for Leave to File Second Amended Complaint” (document # 17) is **GRANTED**. Plaintiff shall file her Second Amended Complaint within five days of this Order.
2. Defendants’ “Motion[s] to Dismiss” (documents ##4 and 15) are administratively **DENIED** as moot without prejudice.
3. The Clerk is directed to send copies of this Order to counsel for the parties and to the Honorable Frank D. Whitney.

SO ORDERED.

Signed: July 29, 2021

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. S. Cayer", is written over a horizontal line.

David S. Cayer
United States Magistrate Judge

